

CDBG SURVEY YEAR: 12

SURVEY NO.: B-3949

AREA: Barclay

MAGI NO.: 0439495604

ADDRESS: 400 East 23rd Street
CURRENT NAME:

BLOCK: LOT:

HEIGHT: 3

CONDITION: Good

LOT SIZE:

MATERIALS: Brick

OWNER:

ADDRESS:

USE: Vacant dwelling

ACCESSIBLE: Yes, restricted

DESIGNATION:

LIBER/FOLIO:



HISTORIC NAME:

DATE: Ca. 1890

ARCHITECT/BUILDER:

STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE):

DESCRIPTION:

This is a three-story brick rowhouse with a dormered mansard roof built about 1890 on the north side of East 23rd Street about one-half block east of Guilford Avenue in north central Baltimore, Maryland. The house was formerly the end of a row, but is now freestanding because of demolition of the adjoining structure on the east. The west elevation borders an alley. The two-bay south elevation rests on a rock-faced stone veneered, raised basement. Marble steps rise to the doorway which currently has a six-panel modern door with glazed top panels. Above this is a segmental-arched transom which is boarded. The flanking bay has a basement window and a large double window on the first story. It is currently boarded and has a rectangular sign panel above the top edge of the opening. The second story has two segmental-arched openings, one with a six over six sash frame which does not fit the opening. The sills are stone. Both windows are boarded. The cornice is bracketed and partially deteriorated at the east end. The third story is a patterned slate mansard with two gabled dormers. The pediments of the dormers are ornamented with flat scroll-sawn woodwork. The east elevation is stuccoed. The west elevation is brick.

SIGNIFICANCE:

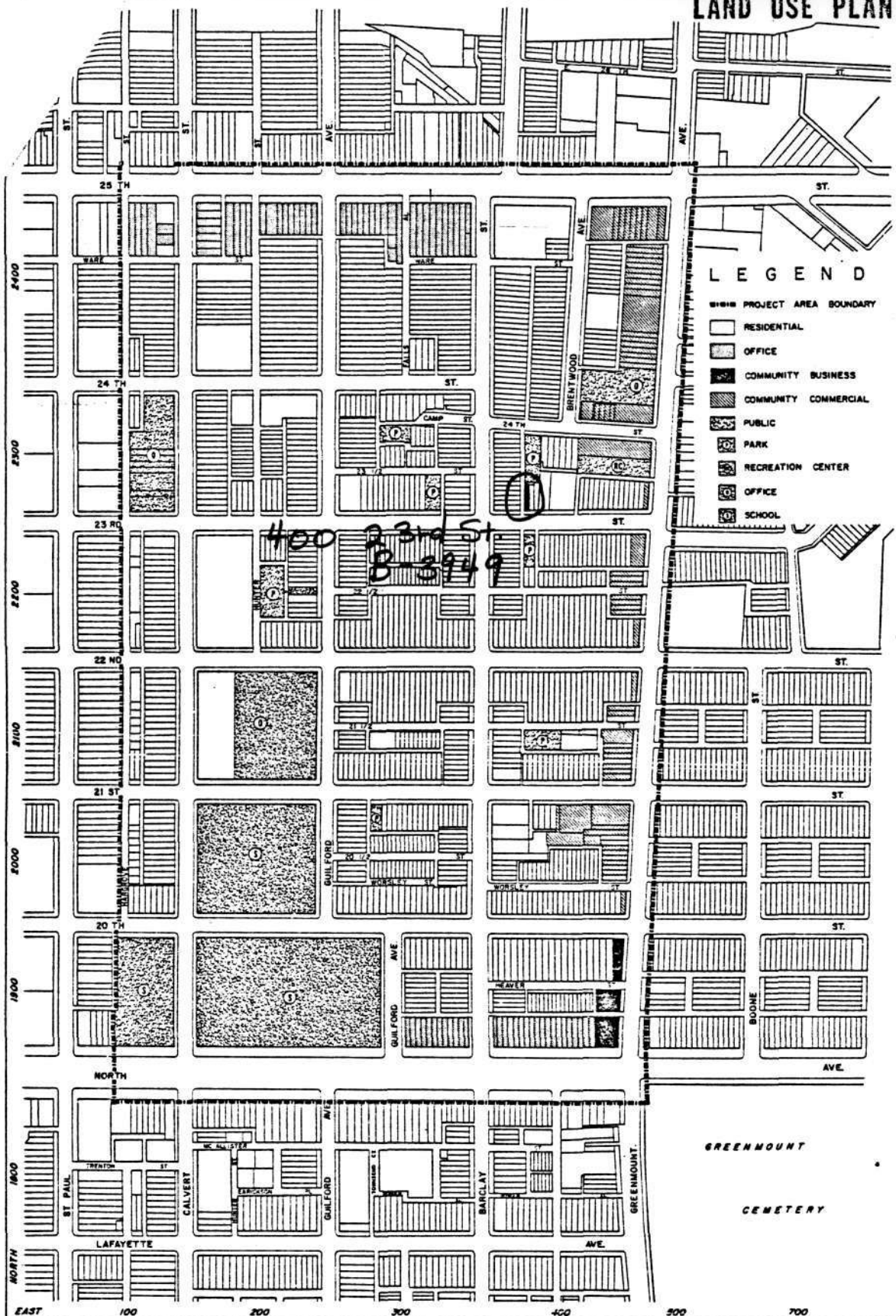
AREA: Architecture

LEVEL:

No. 400 East 23rd Street is a contributing building in an undefined historic district located south and east of the Charles Village/Abell National Register Historic District. The undefined area began developing after the establishment of Peabody Heights (later Charles Village) in the late 1880's. The houses were not as unified in structure and design as in Peabody Heights, but were clearly the work of skilled builders and designers. The use of elegant stylistic features such as slate mansards with dormers and raised stone veneered basements as in 400 East 23rd indicates the upper middle class ideals of the developers' clientele. Although economic standards have declined and commercialization has made inroads in the area, much of the architectural character of the original suburb remains intact.

SOURCES: Bromley's Atlas (1896); Topo Survey Comm. Map (1914); Sanborn Map (1914)
SURVEYOR AND DATE: Janet L. Davis, CHAP, December 1986

LAND USE PLAN



BARCLAY

PLANNING DIVISION



DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

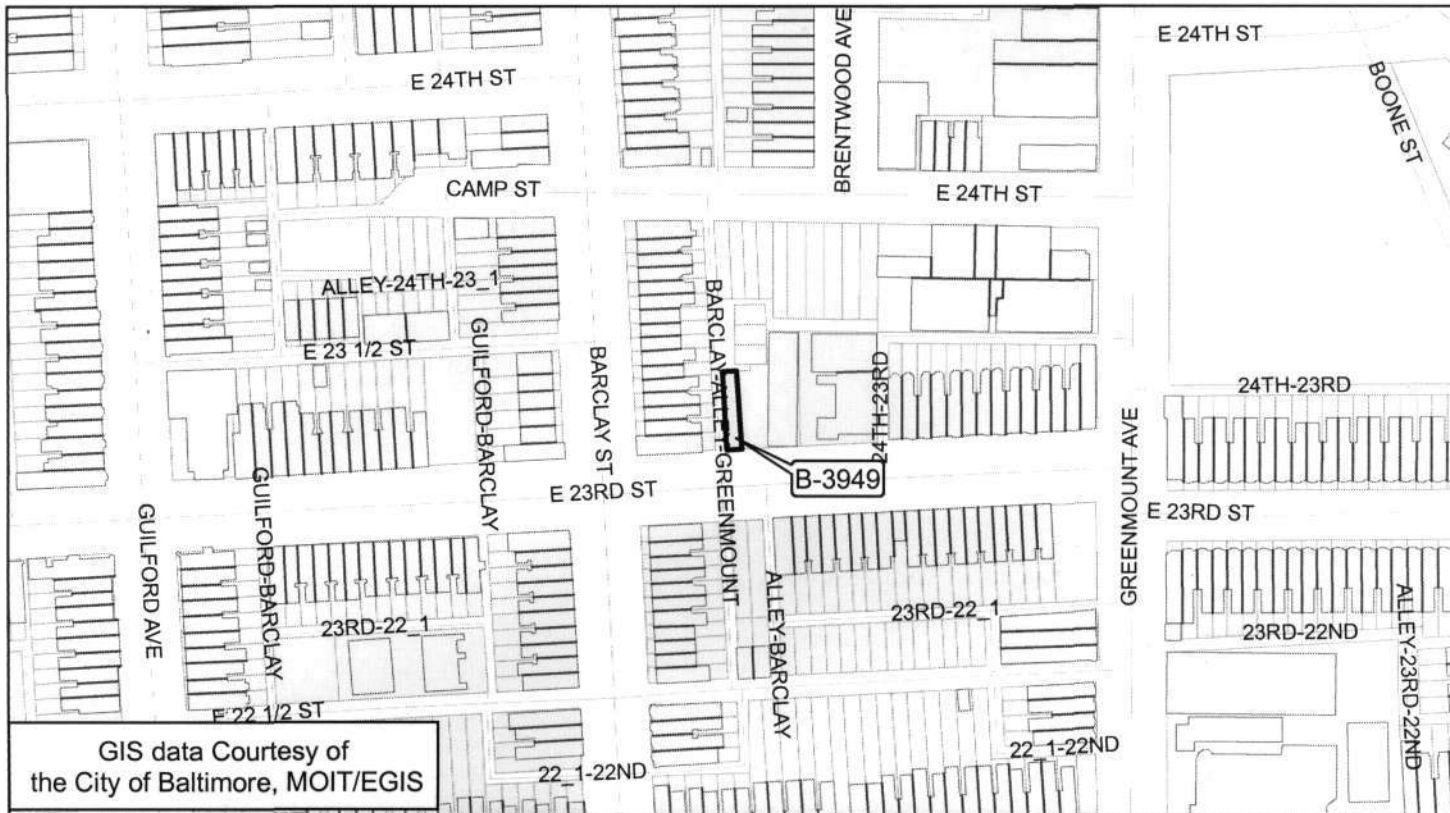


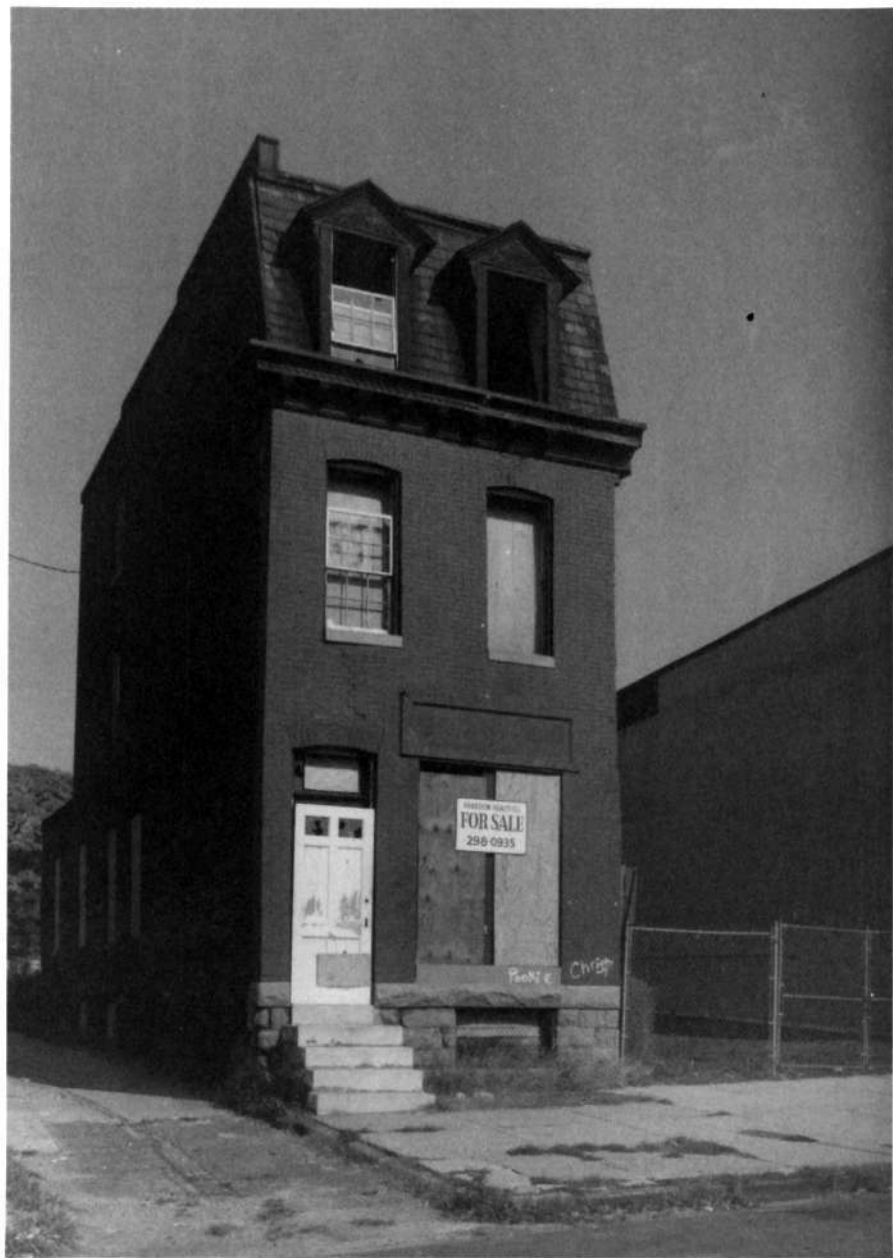
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400 E. 23rd. Street
Block 3824 Lot 049
Baltimore City
Baltimore East Quad.

Demolished





400 East 23rd Street B-3949
Baltimore, Maryland
Photo: Janet Davis
Date: December 1986
Neg. loc.: Md. Historical Trust
South elevation